

F&O Community Plan - Action Leads Directory - November 2021

Outcome	Action Details		Details
1. Our people are healthy and well - physically, mentally and emotionally	Develop communities in collaboration, to enhance health and social wellbeing and support those with or at risk of developing multi-morbidities. Part A) Enhance health and social wellbeing for the general population within the 2 pilot areas (a long-term, preventative piece of work).	Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	Community Planning Partners FODC, Pathfinder and PHA have collaborated and agreed to deliver this action which focuses on two pilot areas - Omagh DEA and Erne East DEA. Engagement with the Community & Voluntary sector representatives are ongoing in both pilot areas so to ensure buy-in at this concept stage and to encourage membership of Working Groups. Facilitated workshops for part A will progress over the Summer Months with an action plans being developed for each pilot area.
	Develop communities in collaboration, to enhance health and social wellbeing and support those with or at risk of developing multi-morbidities. Part B) Enhance health and social wellbeing for those with or at risk of developing multi-morbidities within the 2 pilot areas (a focused, targeted piece of work).	Western Health & Social Care Trust - Pathfinder Project	Community Planning Partners FODC, Pathfinder and PHA have collaborated and agreed to deliver this action which focuses on two pilot areas - Omagh DEA and Erne East DEA. Pathfinder is establishing a cross sectoral multi-morbidities oversight group, which will oversee the reporting and implement the accountability arrangements for interventions based on data and evidence for the area. When established, this group will provide governance to the delivery of this action in the two pilot areas.
	C) Supporting Positive Mental Health through Water-based activities;	Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	A number of partners are working together to progress this action, including FODC, the Integrated Care Partnership and Waterways Ireland. Discussions are ongoing. This action will build on utilising the natural assets in Fermanagh and Omagh District and improvements to mental health
2. Older people lead more independent, engaged and socially connected lives	Digital Upskilling and provision of a safe space to access technology	Libraries NI	Delivery partners including Libraries NI, SWAP, FODC Community Services, OnSide NIHE Project, C&V representatives meet regularly to progress the coordination of provision of devices to older people over 65 and their carers and those with a disability. A method for data collection has been identified. As Libraries re-open to the public, partners will begin to jointly promote opportunities to participate in digital programmes and also the promotion of a safe space to access technology. Progress will now begin regarding the facilitation of e-health appointments within Libraries with partners in Pathfinder and nPower.
	Provide virtual and physical activities to reduce loneliness and social isolation for Over 60's & Promote Positive Ageing	South West Age Partnership	During the pandemic, SWAP and delivery partners in the "Fermanagh and Omagh Interagency Forum" changed the way they delivered services and re-focused their work to client customers. A large amount of various programmes of work, providing a high level of support to a large number of older people in our district will continue. A review of Age Friendly governance and the development of the Age Friendly Alliance will be progressed at pace over the next few months.

<p>3. Our communities are inclusive, safe, resilient and empowered</p>	<p>Tackle food poverty and enhance food security for people in financial stress and low incomes</p>	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council</p>	<p>This action supports developing better linkages across the community and voluntary sector to promote access to emergency food aid in the first instance, specifically during COVID 19. This action has developed relationships amongst 6 registered foodbanks operating in the District, SDVPs and continues to enhance collaborative practice working together through the auspice of a food partnership. A new shared distribution centre in Kesh is being developed to promote enhanced access to food from FARESHARE etc. The focus in the coming periods is to enhance referrals to a wraparound of service providers and promote improved data and intelligence gathering in relation to food insecurity and its impact on our people.</p>
	<p>Support for Advice Services - Ensure people in financial stress can access benefit advice, support and legal representation to challenge decisions, and manage their debts effectively</p>	<p>Omagh Independent Advices Services & Fermanagh Advice Centre</p>	<p>This action is trying to promote financial security through an integrated approach between both independent advice services working in the FO district. The focus has been on those that have been furloughed and consequently lost jobs but also those that were struggling in the pandemic. The following months will focus on the impact of pandemic as well as BREXIT and to work to embed a wraparound service provision that utilises the CVS resources to meet the needs of those in disadvantage.</p>
	<p>Work in partnership to address fuel poverty</p>	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council</p>	<p>This action seeks to support those that are impacted by poor housing conditions, low incomes and inequalities. It seeks to work to minimise the impact of fuel poverty on those at highest risk. It incorporates best ideas that promote energy efficiency and reduce costs. Work with SDVPs to support the most vulnerable during COVID needing provision was rolled out through voucher scheme. The focus is to continue to reduce the number of people living in fuel poverty in the District.</p>
	<p>Reduce the digital divide through enhanced promotion of digital solutions; bridging the digital gap in education with appropriate adjustments to resources</p>	<p>Education Authority</p>	<p>Data on the number of devices, BT vouchers and MiFi units provided to children in FODC by the Department of Education has been reported over the past year. As children have now returned to the school setting, partners will further discuss the key issues behind the Digital Divide in Fermanagh and Omagh to develop this action further. Discussions have indicated that underlying issues relate to low literacy levels. This will be fully explored alongside Issues with Oracy in the classroom.</p>
	<p>Working in Partnership to prevent homelessness</p>	<p>Northern Ireland Housing Executive</p>	<p>This action is delivered through the Local Area Group by NIHE and a breadth of support partners. Its focus is to feed into the development and implementation of the Regional Homelessness strategy to support local challenges. This action is trying to embed a collaborative approach across a wide range of agencies to ensure tenants and those at risk of becoming homeless, or those in crisis have access to the support they need. The focus is to support people to sustain tenancies by addressing root causes</p>
	<p>Equip the community and voluntary sector to support vulnerable people over the next 12-18 months</p>	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council</p>	<p>The strength of the CVS has been realised During the COVID 19 pandemic. This actions aims to identify areas where CVS need support to strengthen infrastructure and capacity of its volunteers and staff. The focus has been to direct funding where needs is demonstrated through relevant data and intelligence to maximise impact. The focus in the next reporting period is to review this action in line with locality planning.</p>

	Increase frequency and access to accessible community transport, specifically for rural residents	Easilink & Fermanagh Rural Community Transport	This action is seeking to enhance the provision of community transport in areas that are deemed to be in highest risk of experiencing transport poverty. The aim is to develop pilot areas in the District to explore utilisation of local transport provision that is demand responsive and supports improved access to services, particularly health services. Affordability, accessibility and frequency of public transport has been used to assess areas that could benefit from the pilots most.	
	4. Our people have the best start in life with lifelong opportunities to fulfil their potential	Increase community awareness of the impacts of Adverse Childhood Experiences so as to develop Trauma Aware Communities	Western Health & Social Care Trust & CAWT MACE's Project	Action leads are working closely with Safeguarding Board NI and FODC officers to develop a comprehensive work plan based on data and evidence. ACE's awareness raising workshops will continue with events conducted with Community partners and another for CVS Forum members scheduled. Engagement will continue with key partners to sign off on this approach and seek their commitment.
Econ, Infra & Skills	5. Our economy is thriving, expanding and outward looking	Provide mentoring and training to support SME's, including social enterprise, to return to trading so that employment opportunities can be sustained and to encourage growth	Invest Northern Ireland	This action focuses on significant progress being made to support businesses within the district to sustain and plan for recovery in the current crisis with grant funding provision, new programmes being developed and a focus on innovation and business support events. The impact of Covid in terms of scale and impact will only become clear as restrictions begin to ease, and businesses return to market. Partners will continue to work together to support SME's including social enterprise to return to trading so that employment opportunities can be sustained and encourage growth in Fermanagh and Omagh.
		Town Centre Recovery Plans	Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	An extensive programme of engagement and project delivery continues in both Omagh and Enniskillen with actions in Recovery Action Plans progressing in both areas alongside Town Centre Recovery groups incorporating representation from elected members, business owners and other key stakeholders. Place brands for both urban centres have been agreed and will begin to soon appear on promotional and marketing material. The full impact of Covid social restrictions and EU Exit have yet to be realised and data is being collected and closely monitored to enable planning. Discussion are ongoing with Department for Communities for funding for a Place Shaping Plan in Omagh. As social restrictions begin to ease, engagement with and support to town centre businesses will continue.

		Progress workforce development to enhance skills and grow the talent pipeline for continued economic growth	South West College	This action has focused on collecting data regarding Innovation vouchers and enrolments in short courses provided by SWC post Covid. With a changing landscape there is a need to re-assess the Specialist Training programmes available within FODC and align the Department for Economy funded programmes so they can be further utilised and promoted by partners. The progression of the Labour Market Partnership will support collaboration for this action.
		Tourism Recovery	Tourism NI	Focusing on collaboration between a range of partners, this action will also focus on the delivery of TNI's Tourism Recovery Action Plan, which partners will deliver together. Ongoing meetings with partners are conducted to identify what elements of the plan partners can support and to progress action.
		EU Exit Readiness - Advice & Guidance	Invest Northern Ireland	EU Exit and its impact on trading conditions remains a key area of interest for business. Partners are continuing to provide ongoing support and advice to businesses in Fermanagh and Omagh. As details on new rules, tariffs and customs etc. become available, partners will work together to disseminate relevant information to businesses.
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Env.	6. Our outstanding natural environment and built and cultural heritage is sustainably managed and accessible	Partnership working with communities to build environmental awareness and activities	Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	This action is currently being reviewed in line with the Council's Climate change Strategy and direction of travel and more information will be available in September.
		Commitments to support climate change mitigations by building on the reduction in travel and use of online working in workplaces	Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	This action is currently being reviewed in line with the Council's Climate change Strategy and direction of travel and more information will be available in September.
	All 6 Outcomes	Collaborative Practice and Data gathering and intelligence	Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	